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TRANSMITTAL OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL OF ACTUAL INFRINGEMENT  
under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102

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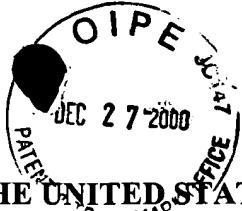
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**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF ACTUAL INFRINGEMENT**  
**37 C.F.R. § 1.102**

Sir:

This petition seeks to Make Special the above identified application and requests that the subject application be advanced out of turn for examination.

The basis for the petition is that a third party is actually infringing the pending claims of the application, and that

- (1) There is an infringing device or product actually on the market or method in use;
- (2) A rigid comparison of the alleged infringing device, product, or method with the claims of the application has been made, and that some of the claims are unquestionably infringed;
- (3) A careful and thorough search of the prior art has been made or caused to be made; and
- (4) The claims in the application, as presently presented, are believed to be allowable.

The undersigned Attorney has caused to be made a prior art search of the patent literature. One copy of each of the references obtained from the prior art search has been submitted along with a PTO-1449 form.

Accordingly, it is requested that the subject application be advanced out of turn for examination.

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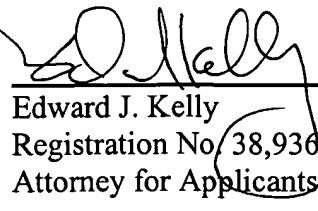
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